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**STANDING TOGETHER** for kindness and against bullying, left to right, are Town of Elk Point CAO Ken Gwozdz, Couns. Sherry Bower-Gagne, Debra McQuinn and Terri Hampson, F. G. Miller High School students Zoe Ainsworth, Shaylyn Klatt and Darianna Boorse and FGM staff members Natalie Wild and Diana Richer, who backed up Mayor Lorne Young as he gave the Town's support to a proclamation declaring Feb. 25 to March 3 as Random Acts of Kindness Week and Wednesday, Feb. 28 as **PINK** Day in Elk Point.

## Council approves new Fire Chief, Deputy

VICKI BROOKER

Review Staff

A five-member delegation of teachers and students from F. G. Miller High School were first on the agenda at Elk Point town council's Feb. 12 meeting to request the declaration of Feb. 25 to March 3 as Random Acts of Kindness (RAK) Week and Wednesday, Feb. 28 as National PINK Day in Elk Point. The declaration was approved later in the meeting.

The group represented the F. G. Miller Practitioners of Underground Philanthropy (P.U.P) group and the school's Kindness Committee, and told council that this is the fourth year for RAK Week, when everyone in town is encouraged to join with the FGM students and staff to perform random acts of kindness "and start a ripple of their own."

This year's National PINK Day

theme is "Stand Together," and will focus on social media, Internet safety and cyber bullying. On that day, everyone in Elk Point is encouraged to wear pink, and for businesses to "get creative and turn the town PINK!" The FGM group is also hoping to get feedback in the form of photos so they can see everyone's creativity. Photos maybe sent to [sherry.bower@sperd.ca](mailto:sherry.bower@sperd.ca)

### SDAB authorized

Second and third reading were given to Bylaw 768/17, allowing the establishment of the new Subdivision and Development Appeal Board after minor revisions that would allow up to six members to be part of the SDAB, with one member to be appointed from council and the rest from the public at large. Later in the meeting, council discussed the possibility of approaching neighbouring municipalities to see if they would be interested in having a regional SDAB, as this board is rarely put to

work. It was moved to approach the Town and County of St. Paul and the Summer Village of Horseshoe Bay.

### Development standards

A policy outlining development standards for multi-family dwellings was brought to council from the Feb. 1 Public Works meeting. Council approved the policy, which came in the form of a development permit application checklist.

### New Fire Chief, Deputy

Elk Point Fire Department held their annual general meeting on Jan. 22 and elected Lyle Frisby as Fire Chief and Peter Hewitt as Deputy Fire Chief. Those positions were ratified by town council at the Feb. 12 meeting, and the administration will advise the County of St. Paul of their approval.

### FSLW funding

A request from St. Paul Education Regional Division No. 1 asking council to consider a contribution of \$10,000 in

funding for the Family School Liaison Worker program for the 2018/19 school year was brought to council. Funding received from community partners is essential for the continuation of this service, and prior to 2016/17, the Town of Elk Point was one of those partners, contributing \$10,000 annually, however the need to restrict the town's spending has prevented continuing the contribution for the past two years. The school board will be advised to send an application for a community grant coming from MSI funding, with grant applications to be accepted in early summer.

### Request denied

A request to cancel the penalty on a substantial property tax bill that was unpaid as of Dec. 31 was denied by council after discussion. The taxes have been paid in full since that date, but the penalty remains to be paid, and the property owner will be advised of council's decision. (Continued on Page 5)

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# COUNTY OF ST. PAUL No. 19



## HIGHLIGHTS

### February 13, 2018 Council Meeting

**Recreation Survey** – In order to effectively make decisions about recreation provision and resource priorities, the County, Towns of St. Paul and Elk Point and SV of Horseshoe Bay is developing a Recreation Services Master Plan. The Plan will assess the current state and identify priorities and recommendations regarding the provisions of recreation facilities, active lifestyle and social gathering opportunities and recreation services to meet the needs of residents and visitors.

A Household Survey has been mailed out to all County residents to be completed and returned to the consultant by February 23. Residents are encouraged to complete the survey to provide their opinion on the current situation and future needs of recreation in the area. A Stakeholder Survey will be sent out shortly to community groups, to gather input from a community perspective. Contact Tim Mahdiuk at 780-645-3301, ext 204 for more information.

**Clubroot/Blackleg Workshop** – The County jointly with the MD of Bonnyville will be hosting a Clubroot/Blackleg workshop on February 26 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Flat Lake Hall. Deadline to register is February 20. Call or text Keith at 780-645-0154.

**Rural InterMunicipal Development Plan (IDP)** – is a statutory policy document designed to foster cooperation and ensure planning and development across municipal borders takes place in an integrated manner without unnecessary costs or negative impacts on either municipality. The County is currently working with Lac La Biche County, County of Vermilion River, Smoky Lake County, County of Two Hills and the MD of Bonnyville. Stakeholder meetings were held to collect information on current opportunities and constraints within and nearby the municipal boundary, existing and future development pressures and opportunities for intermunicipal services and future development. Residents are encouraged to provide input on the IDPs at [surveymonkey.com/f/ruralIDPs](http://surveymonkey.com/f/ruralIDPs) until February 21.

**Volunteer Income Tax Program** – The County of St. Paul and Elk Point FCSS partnered with Canada Revenue Agency is offering the Community Volunteer Income Tax Program for low income residents within the County of St. Paul and Town of Elk Point. Trained volunteers will complete income tax returns free of charge for – single earning up to \$30,000; couple earning up to \$40,000; adult with one child earning up to \$35,000 (\$2,500 for each additional dependent). Beginning March 1, residents qualifying for this service can drop off their taxes at the County Office or Elk Point FCSS office during business hours.

#### Funding Support:

- \$500 – Alberta Winter Games Boys Volleyball Team
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- \$1,000 – St. Paul Bengals – Host Football Provincials
- \$1,000 – St. Paul Canadiens – Host Atom Female Provincials
- \$1,000 – Elk Point Minor Hockey – Host Bantam Provincials
- \$25,000 – Ashmont Legion – Matching funding for CIP Grant

For more information contact  
Sheila Kitz, CAO, County of St. Paul  
At 780-645-3301, ext 208

# 'Dangerous' road conditions brought to County's attention

GRANT DEME  
Review Contributor

The County of St. Paul council heard concerns from local residents regarding the condition of a road that some believe to be dangerous, and an accident waiting to happen.

Donna Gayle Hatherly and Richard Marchenko, presented to County council during the Feb. 13 monthly meeting, and representing other residents in the area.

Hatherly and Marchenko spoke on the condition of Garneau Road, specifically a one-mile stretch along TWP Rd 584, west of Range Road 95. Henderson wrote a letter to council in April of last year about the road conditions, citing serious safety concerns shared by area residents.

The request was made to council to consider oiling the road to improve its conditions.

"There are numerous ruts more than a foot deep," Hatherly told council. "If you're going west you have to drive on the left side (of the road) into oncoming traffic."

Hatherly noted that in spring of last year the road was so beaten up that school busses were unable to pick up students to take them to school because they deemed to road unsafe to drive on.

About a dozen homes and a mechanic shop in the area frequent the road.

"The road is not safe. The road is narrow to begin with . . . and with the school busses going there, we have younger and younger families (around). If one of them loses control, you have yourself a catastrophe," Marchenko said during the meeting.

Council tabled a decision on the matter until budget discussions in March.

#### Disaster assistance

The County of St. Paul was denied disaster assistance support from the province.

The municipality had applied for support from the province following a wet fall season in 2016, and spring snowstorms in 2017 that resulted in significant damage being done to roads.

"We received confirmation in January that the County's application was not considered to be a disaster under the guidelines," said CAO Sheila Kitz in her monthly report.

#### Survey

Recreation surveys have been sent out to residents as part of the Parks and Recreation Needs Analysis and Action Plan project. The deadline for the surveys is Feb. 23.

According to the CAO report, youth in Grade 5 to 12 will also be surveyed for the project. Councils will be updated once the survey results have been compiled.

#### Geoscientist

Council agreed to hire Geoscientist JD Mollard to conduct a desktop survey of the County of St. Paul to determine location of gravel. To conduct the survey of Divisions 5 and 6, Mollard quoted a cost of \$9,500.

#### Waterline

The tender has gone out to the pre-qualified contractors for the construction of the Ashmont to Mallaig waterline, with the deadline for extended to March 6. An original deadline was set for Feb. 20.

Council hopes to approve a tender at its March 16 meeting so work can begin on the project.

#### Elk Point Fire Department

Elk Point Fire Department has selected new leadership. Lyle Frisby is the new chief and Peter Hewitt has been named deputy fire chief. The Elk Point department is also in the process of recruiting new members.

#### Waterton Subdivision

Residents of the Waterton Subdivision have decided not to form a condo association, or any sort of organization that would have allowed them to install gates into the community.

Gates that had been previously installed without the county's permission have been removed, according to the Feb. 13 council agenda.

Now, residents are requesting that the county consider re-instating the Municipal Reserve designation on Lot 27, Block 1, Plan 802189, a lot owned by the county. The lot was originally designated MR when the subdivision was developed in 1980.

In 2002, the local councillor at the time, Allan Young, brought the lot forward to council, saying it should be sold so someone could purchase it and build a house on the lot. The process to remove the MR designation was started in December of 2002.

In February of 2003 the county receive a new title with the reserve designation cancelled. Records indicate that there is a water well on the property, and that the property was never advertised for sale, as it is included on the list of county properties not to sell.

Council directed administration to bring forward a bylaw to have the lot designated as Municipal Reserve.

#### Funds

Ashmont Royal Canadian Legion requested \$25,000 of funding from the county to help in their renovation costs, which was granted.

Additionally, council also agreed to sponsor two teams for the 11th Annual Pyrogy Bonspiel in Glendon on March 10. The cost is \$125 per team.

Council also agreed to purchase a table and will provide a silent auction for the CAP Arena's 35th Anniversary Dine and Dance Fundraiser, as well as for the St. Paul & District Hospital Foundation Fundraiser.

Council then approved funding for the boys and girls volleyball teams for the 2018 Alberta Winter Games, representing the zone. Eight of the 12 boys and five of the 12 girls on the two teams are from the County of St. Paul, it was noted. The funding is set for \$500 per team.

#### Fire Agreement tweaked

The county and Summer Village of Horseshoe Bay have agreed to a few changes on their Fire Agreement. A termination clause has been added, as well as putting in a four-year term to coincide with the council's term.

The Summer Village will pay the county \$20 per year, per lot, based on 146 lots.

Additionally the agreement has moved to a standard Alberta Transportation Fee Schedule, which is an hourly rate per unit that responds.

A tanker, pumper, or rescue trucks costs \$615 per hour per unit, and a command unit charges \$185 per hour per unit. The costs will fluctuate depending on Alberta Transportation's rates.

Lastly, a fee of \$450 will be charged per call out for false alarms, including security systems. The fee was originally \$175.



# Valentine's visitors for Heritage Lodge

TAMMY KLATT  
Review Contributor

On February 13, 2018 Elk Point Jack and Jill Playschool students, parents and teacher Tammy Klatt, visited Heritage Lodge for their annual Valentine's visit. The residents were greeted with good morning hugs and cuddles, eight songs the students sang and a Valentine heart-shaped craft for each resident who came to watch the performance. Many residents commented how much they enjoy visiting and watching the students perform, one saying, "It brings such happiness in our hearts". The students were treated to many sweet visits and hugs and delicious heart shape cookies. It was another memorable visit with treasured memories. We will be back once more before the school year ends in May for Playschool.



## Elks win league awards

The President of the SaskAlta Hockey league, Rod Boutin was on hand at Wednesday's Elk Point Elks game to make the league presentation for the rookie of the year and the top defenseman. Congratulations to Kam Ballas (top left) for being voted by the league as the Top Defenseman and Ryley Wozniak (bottom left) the Rookie of the Year. A win would have capped off a great night, but unfortunately it wasn't in the cards. The Hillmond Hitmen tied up the series at 1- all with a 6-3 win over the Elks. The Elks were back on the road to Hillmond after press time on Friday and played at home on Sunday evening in the third and fourth games of the best-of-seven series, with the fifth game scheduled for this coming Friday in Hillmond and a sixth game Saturday at 8:30 p.m. in Elk Point, with a seventh game, if required, in Hillmond on Sunday.

Wanda Cochrane photos



## Town council

(Continued from Front Page)

### ICF workshop

An invitation was received from the Town of St. Paul and County of St. Paul, who are jointly hosting an Intermunicipal Collaboration Framework (ICF) workshop on April 26 for elected officials, CAOs and relevant staff. The Town of Elk Point will send representation to the workshop.

### Mayors and Reeves Caucus

Mayor Lorne Young also received an invitation from Edmonton Mayor Don Iveson to this term's inaugural Northern Alberta Mayors' and Reeves' Caucus meeting on March 19, and was given council's approval to attend.

### Meeting rescheduled

A recommendation from the Public Works Committee meeting that the next Public Works meeting be rescheduled from March 1 to March 6 at 7 p.m. was brought to council and approved.

### Streetlights

A discussion regarding three new 54 Ave. streetlights was also brought forward from the Public Works meeting, and the recommendation to table it to the April 2018 budget meeting was carried.

### Town storage

Town council debated advantages of using a sea can or a shed for storage of town archives, which have outgrown the available town office storage space. Because a sea can would have to be

located in the public works compound, and would not be quickly accessed, it was agreed to purchase a shed from RONA and locate it behind the town office.

### Property debris

A letter is to be sent to the owner of a property regarding the condition of which complaints have been received. The complainant will also be notified.

### Questions answered

Other business coming before council included clarification of the area where sea cans are permitted to be located, which is in the industrial area, information on the tax implications if a road is closed and sold to adjacent landowners, and assurance that living quarters in a business is within the land use bylaw.

### RV bylaw

Council was advised of a RV that was still parked on a residential street and in the way of snow removal, which contravenes the RV Bylaw. The administration was advised to follow the bylaw and enforce removal of the unit.

### Manager of Finance

The Town of Elk Point welcomes Mir Ali as the new Manager of Finance.

"We are excited to be working with Mr. Ali and welcome him to the Town of Elk Point and Region" says Mayor Young.

Ali starts his employment with the Town of Elk Point February 23, 2018. He brings a lot of knowledge and education in the private and public sectors of the accounting field to Elk Point.

## Lakeland Agricultural Research Association Annual General Meeting and Research Update

February 28, 2018 at Craigend Hall  
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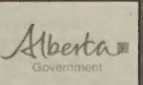
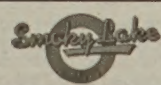
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EDITORIAL

# There are sports at home too!

While many of us have been glued to the television screens for the past week or so, watching the sport action at the Olympics on the far side of the world, we mustn't forget that there is plenty of sports action happening right close to home, and that these local athletes, on the average, are doing much better than some of the Canadian athletes over there.

For example, we have two teams heading into the next round of Provincial hockey playoffs, plus our Bantams, who are hosting the Provincial 'D' Tournament here in less than a month, and will be in on the action whether or not they win the Zone title.

We have two young athletes heading off to the Alberta Winter Games in volleyball, and both our Boys' and Girls' volleyball teams from F. G. Miller are leading the SPAA standings, undefeated as of this time.

On the senior hockey front, our Elk Point Elks were sitting 1-1 with Hillmond Hitmen in the SaskAlta Hockey League semi-final playoffs as we went to press; the winner of this semi-final series heading to the league championship.

With athletes of this caliber this close to home, we have plenty to cheer for besides Team Canada.

## RECREATION CORNER

# Strategic planning session to be scheduled soon

recreation@elkpoint.ca  
Review Contributor

Hello all of our non-profits and facilities in Elk Point! I need to hear from you! If we haven't already touched base regarding the strategic planning sessions, please email me [recreation@elkpoint.ca](mailto:recreation@elkpoint.ca) or call/text 780-207-5898. We need to set up a time for you to meet with the strategic planners and go over your organization's long-term goals and plans. The information we gather from these sessions will shape how, not only the Town, but the whole region shapes its goals in terms of recreation. Your organization is important to the overall livability of our community, so please get in touch!

Over at the Rec Department, we have been brainstorming ideas for the upcoming year. We want to hear from you. We have been looking at hosting monthly paint nights to introduce recreation outside of physical activity. We were wondering when these nights would be best for you? Is it better to host them on a weeknight, so you can sneak out while the kids are at practice? Or is it better for them to be held on weekends? Days or nights? Please let us know. Right now, we are looking at adult classes that incorporate learning and socializing. We may in the future look at children's paint nights or adults and children (Mommy and me style).

Thank you everyone who came out on Monday for our annual public skating. And to the Elk Point Early Childhood Development Committee (ECDC) for bringing a photographer and helping us capture those memories. It's fantastic when two groups can band together and put on great events. If you have something in mind and need the Rec Department's help, contact me at 780-207-5898.



## WAY BACK WHEN...

# Celebration '88, Fur Trappers Ball, main street revitalization

HERE'S THE NEWS THAT MADE THE HEADLINES OF THE LAKELAND REVIEW AND ELK POINT REVIEW FOR THE WEEK OF FEB. 19 IN...

### 1988

Celebration '88 medals went to female athlete Holly Burton, volunteer Pat Johnson, coach Jim Forrest, male athlete Victor Stepa, official Pat Vincent and sponsor Ken Palamarek of Canadian Salt in recognition of their outstanding contributions to minor sports and community life. Ken and Claire Ference, Remi and Coral Tremblay won the Texaco Farmers' Bonspiel over Don and Barb Anderson, Kevin and Debbie Lawrence.

### 1993

The Airport Commission was shocked to discover that the cost of extending the Elk Point Airport runway to 4500 feet had grown to more than double the original estimate. A thousand hours of volunteering by Friends of the Forts and other volunteers involved in the opening of Fort George and Buckingham House Interpretive Centre was honored with the presentation of certificates at the second annual Fur Trappers' Ball.

### 1998

Library statistics showed that reading is finally on a rebound, with memberships up 7.6 per cent and circulation up four per cent after big drops in both in the previous two years. The concept of a regional main street revitalization program, that would also promote preservation of historic buildings, was outlined to town council by Bonnie McInnis of REACH Corporation.

### 2003

Town council delayed their decision on purchase of a new fire truck, in order to consider financing options. Elk Point Public Library reported a 25 per

cent increase in circulation for the year, although membership numbers of 375 town residents and 281 rural residents remained about the same.

### 2008

A petition with 319 signatures, asking for recreational opportunities for local children was presented to town council along with a list of suggestions ranging from a water park to bike trails. Alberta Progressive Conservative candidate



RAY DANYLUK opened his Elk Point campaign office in preparation for the upcoming provincial election.

### 2013

The Town of Elk Point replaced tax incentive on new construction on a diminishing scale of 100 per cent the first year, 50 per cent the second year and 25 per cent in each of the third and fourth years, while industrial and commercial construction was tax-free for three years from the date of occupancy with a three-year tax free period across the board, retroactive to Jan. 1, 2013, with the tax-free period beginning on the date of occupancy. After sending letters to surrounding residents, no one has come forward to take over operations of Armistice Hall and County of St. Paul council would now begin to move forward with possibly selling the property.

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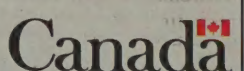
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PEEWEE TIER 1 AVALANCHE bids farewell to Vegreville peewees after Monday's deciding game in the two-game, total-point Provincial series.

Photo Submitted

# Peewee 1, Midgets move on to next round

Last week was a short week for the kids at school, getting out early on Wednesday at 2 p.m. in the afternoon, then having five days off in a row including today, Tuesday, for the annual teachers' convention and the Family Day weekend. And it was a good thing too, with the amount of hockey these kids had been playing lately, not only on the weekend, but almost every night during the week too. Not much time for sleep, studying or even thinking about school. Hockey, hockey, hockey!!!!



**doug BASSETT**  
Review Sports

This past Monday the **Peewee Tier 1** team dispatched Vegreville back home after winning the two-game provincial round robin series. After the first game held in Vegreville, the Avalanche had a two-goal lead coming back home, winning this one quite easily by a score of 10 to 2. 'King Kong Konnor' Poitras was really unstoppable in this one, smashing down the defensive walls and destroying the goalie with his quick snap shots up into the top shelf. Same thing for 'Mick Jager' Fontaine who danced his way across the blue line and let rip some wicked slap shots that broke the sound of music into the mesh. Both of them scored a hat trick, 'Mick Jager' also adding five assists, 'King Kong Konnor' with one helper. Cash 'Paycheque' Capjack, the center-man on that top production line winning the majority of the face offs, and the ones he didn't win, he would tie up his man. He scored the very first goal of the game very early in the first period to set the tone. He also scored the very last goal with only 22 seconds left on the clock to send the Wranglers home! Five assists and great back checking for 'Paycheque' too! Vaughn 'the Vulture' Ockerman going right into the hot kitchen, the goal crease, looking for a nice snack, scoring one off of a rebound. Steady D-man Sam 'Spiderman' Rogal doing a nice job of keeping the traffic clear in front, he set up three goals.

Two days later, right after school let out at 2 p.m. Wednesday, the Peewee 1 team traveled to Gibbons for their next provincials round, meeting up with the CNN (Crows Nest North) team. The Avalanche riding in the car for two hours seemed a little sleepy

and with rubber legs, starting out a little sluggish, the score very close, in fact it was tied three-all until there were only eight minutes left in the third period. Then the Avalanche exploded with three quick ones, bang, bang, bang, the final score 6 to 3 for the Avalanche. 'King Kong Konnor' with a hat trick and two assists, 'Paycheque' with two goals and three assists, 'Mick Jager' with one goal and two assists. A strong game for 'the Saint' defenseman Nick Penner who added a couple of assists. A nice lead to come home with. The second game was to be played here at home on this past Saturday night. Due to the early deadline because of the Family Day Monday, the results were not available at press time.

Last Tuesday night was the **Midget Avalanche's** turn to shine in provincial action and they did for sure, winning over Smoky Lake 6 to 1. The score tied at one all for a long time, the boys would crank up the music and pot another five goals before it was over. Team Captain 'Awesome Alex' Hunter did what all captains are supposed to do, lead by example. He played an awesome game, skating, checking, passing and scoring a hat trick and adding an assist. Austin 'Astro' Axley came to play too; he scored a goal and assisted on two. The big monster Brody 'the Big O' Odgaard stretching out where any normal player couldn't reach, getting around the defense and putting one up into the twine. He may be a bit on the small side, but has lots of hockey smarts, and is extremely talented with the puck. Nick 'Sparky' Anderson with one too. Wheeling and dealing defenseman Hayden 'Hot Wheels' Ludlage was on the sheet with three helpers. Keeping the boys in this one, especially in the early going, goalie Colton 'Colt 45' Van Maarion was solid between the pipes, facing 31 shots, most of them coming in the second period. He had some help throughout the game by his defensive core, Hank 'the Tank' Rogal, Cyle 'Grinder' Graus and 'Warrior Warren' Ference coming to the rescue a few times. The midgets travelled to Smoky Lake on Thursday night for the second game of the

two game total point coming home with a huge 10 to 1 win. Spencer 'Fortress' Hardcastle getting the call to mind the fort, wasn't very busy but came up sharp when call upon. Five minutes into the game speedy Chad 'Pickpocket' Poitras set the tone of the game when he cruised down the wing, picking the top corner with one. After that it was a total team effort. The 'Big O' and 'Awesome Alex' adding two each. 'Hot Wheels', 'Grinder', 'Astro', 'Rink Rat' and 'Sparky' all with singles. The boys played it smart too, knowing Smoky was done like dinner, they stayed cool and never got involved in any dumb fights or after-whistle altercations and be suspended for the next round. The next round, they will be meeting some old friends from Marwayne.

The **Bantam Avalanche** are hosting the provincial finals in March but it's always nice to know you legitimately belong in the tournament. And after their provincial game on Wednesday night in Redwater, where they won 6 to 0, it would seem to me that's there's not a doubt in anyone's mind they are contenders for sure for the provincial title. This team has suffered a lot of injuries but keeps on rolling. One man goes down and the rest pick up the slack. Slippery center-man 'Lightning Liam' Ludlage with two goals and setting up two by the sniper Jaden 'Jet Stream' Van Maarion who also scored two goals and received an assist. Getting the green light, defenseman Charlie 'Chuckles' Rogal with a goal and an assist. Peewee aged farmhand Dean 'the Machine' Ockerman getting the call to help fill in for injured D-man Jace 'the Stafford Streak', getting his first goal up in the big league. Mathew 'Quick Draw' Quinney, Odin 'the Wall' Smith and Evan 'Batman' Ockerman all getting in on the action with an assist each. The second game of this two-game, total-point series will be held here in Elk Point this Thursday, February 22 at 7 p.m. Come out and cheer on the boys!

And now for the K. A. Campbell quote of the week. "You give 100 percent in the first half of the game, and if that isn't enough in the second half you give what's left." - Yogi Berra

## FGM leads SPAA League Basketball standings

| Team            | Boys |   |
|-----------------|------|---|
|                 | W    | L |
| F. G. Miller    | 5    | 0 |
| Glendon         | 4    | 0 |
| Frog Lake       | 1    | 2 |
| Kihew Asiniy    | 1    | 2 |
| St. Paul JV     | 1    | 3 |
| Ecole du Sommet | 1    | 3 |
| Vilna           | 0    | 3 |

| Team         | Girls |   |
|--------------|-------|---|
|              | W     | L |
| F. G. Miller | 2     | 0 |
| Mallaig      | 1     | 1 |
| Kihew Asiniy | 1     | 1 |
| Glendon      | 0     | 2 |

## Off to Winter Games

The best of luck to Evan Ockerman and Devon Nazarchuk, who headed to Fort McMurray just before press time to compete in Alberta Winter Games Volleyball.

Watch next week's issue for updates.



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# Heinsburg Community Club holds annual Appreciation Night

## SUBMITTED

In her review of "A very exciting year for the Heinsburg Community Club", president Marjorie Scott told the members attending the annual Appreciation Night on Feb. 10 that the group had welcomed some new active members, and lost a few previous members due to retirement or relocation.

"The dedication of those long time members was appreciated and will be missed."

It was a busy year for the club, she said. "Our hall was beginning to show its age, so considerable refurbishment was required to modernize it in a number of areas. The electrical services needed to be brought up to current codes, and while doing so, the kitchen received strengthened plug-ins and rewiring to allow a change to new, modern electric stoves replacing the very old gas ones. Some additional kitchen cabinets were also added.

"While the almost total rewiring was being done, additional insulation was added in the ceiling and where required, to improve heat retention. Some changes and upgrades were done to the water system, thus ensuring that no further washroom problems arose when larger crowds attended functions. All the tile floors were cleaned and re-waxed. The hardwood did not need work at this time.

"So, where did we get the \$40,000 or so to pay for all the improvements? Some came from bingo worked at the St. Paul Bingo Hall, the Country Music Jamborees, casinos at Camrose, camping fees, a special evening supper and concert with Randy Hollar and friends. As well, a num-

ber of donations and grants were received. The Lea Park Pasture Association presented a cheque for \$19,500, we proudly shared half with the Riverview Seniors. The County of St. Paul made two donations this year: \$16,500 toward the renovations and \$4,000 to help with the cost of utilities. A provincial grant provided half the money to replace six windows, five in the seniors' wing and the kitchen window. Alberta Tourism assisted with advertising.

"Of course, the bingos, jamborees, casino and special events would not have happened without the devotion and willingness of all our members who turned out very faithfully."

Scott went on to mention the highlights of the summer months, which included the outdoor movie night, in cooperation with the County of St. Paul and Elk Point FCSS which brought "a nice crowd and a lovely evening."

On July 8, the Voyageurs "helped us carry on a long tradition of hosting river travelers, begun in 1967. One canoe and several people from the 1967 Brigade returned with this summer's group. About 200 people were provided with a barbecue lunch."

Scott acknowledged that none of this could happen without a supportive community.

"We are extremely thankful for the devotion to this community shown by all of our volunteers, not all of them club members, over this past year, and these were especially appreciated for coming to help out for jamborees, special events, funerals, weddings and anniversaries.

"It was wonderful to once again host these events in our refurbished

hall without fears of problems arising.

"The folks who shouldered responsibilities by seeing that the work was all done on schedule, the acquisitions of new items, and overseeing the installations, are especially to be thanked for the diligence shown, and the hours of cooperation, as they worked well with the tradespeople hired to do the labors requiring certified work. Thank you all so much for everything each one of you did during 2017."

Mistress of ceremonies Shirley Kvill noted that Scott, who joined the Community Club in 1996, has been the club's president for a record 12 years and along with her presidential duties, does everything from arranging jamborees to making coffee for all occasions.

Kvill paid special tribute to Scott and the other the members who are over 80 years of age - Alvin and Grace Meger, Della and Don Kjenner, Colleen Sharkey, saying, "All of you Over 80s are a shining example and excellent role models for us. You are the gems."

She went on to thank the many other members who have been instrumental in keeping the Community Club alive through the decades, serving on the executive, working bingos and doing everything from plowing the parking lot to beautifying the community sign on the highway.

New members, and former members who recently returned to the membership were also recognized before the evening ended with an open mike session of memory sharing, and of course, some of Heinsburg's trademark entertainment - some good down-home music.

# Newly formed EADCRU, Elk Point RCMP arrest wanted male

STAFF WRITERS

The RCMP's newly formed Eastern Alberta District Crime Reduction Unit (EADCRU) along with members of Elk Point detachment made an arrest of a wanted male, earlier this month.

On Feb. 6, Elk Point RCMP responded to several reports of a male with a firearm at a residence in Frog Lake. The male who was known to police from past incidents fled before police arrived at the residence and was not located.

On Feb. 8, members of the Elk Point Detachment along with EADCRU, Emergency Response Team - Edmonton (ERT) and Police Dog Services (PDS) executed a warrant at a residence on Frog Lake.

The male fled the residence on foot while police were executing the warrant and was located and arrested a short time later. He sustained minor injuries while fleeing and was taken to hospital and released into police custody.

A 47-year-old male from Mannville, who was previously wanted on 17 charges for property and theft related offences from a search warrant that was executed at a chop shop in Elk Point in August 2017, was arrested.

He was remanded into custody with additional Criminal Code offences in relation to his recent arrest. He was expected to make a court appearance via CCTV on Feb. 15.

EADCRU focuses on specific targets and projects in various policing areas in the East District. The objective is to identify those criminals who have the biggest impact on our communities and work towards the disruption of their ongoing criminal activity.

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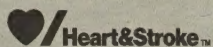
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# What was THAT? Meteor streaks across lakeland sky

JANICE HUSER  
Review Contributor

While it was brief, a bright light, and what some reported to be a loud boom, was the talk of social media on the evening of Feb. 12, as a meteor was spotted shooting through the skies of northeastern Alberta.

Frank Florian, director of Planetarium and Space Sciences at the TELUS World of Science Edmonton, confirmed that what residents saw was in fact a meteor, also known as a fireball or a bolide, at about 9:45 p.m.

"It was seen from the Edmonton area, as well through some cloud cover to the east-northeast of Edmonton," said Florian. "So, the St. Paul area would have been closer to the entry position of the bolide from the sightlines reported here in the Edmonton area."

Florian added that a few amateur astronomers leaving the Royal Astronomical Society of Canada (RASC) meeting at the TELUS World of Science Edmonton that night saw the bolide, and made a report of it on the astronomy list server.

Immediately after the sky lit up around St. Paul, residents noted a loud boom could be heard, with some people saying it shook their homes. When asked about the noise, Florian offered an explanation.

"Having the loud boom in your area would indicate that the bolide was in close proximity to St. Paul, or at least passed over and near St. Paul."

Furthermore, some eyewitness reports indicate that the meteor did fragment on its flight through the atmosphere, indicating that pieces of it may be found somewhere in Alberta, said Florian.

The University of Alberta and Athabasca University operate an all-sky camera system, which did record the event, but due to cloud cover, the photos weren't very clear, according to Chris Herd, Professor and Curator at the University of Alberta Meteorite Collection.

"The DFNEXT camera at Athabasca did pick it up, but the cloud cover means that we don't have a very good view," said Herd.

Shortly after the meteor was noted, Tarah Feland decided to look through some of the footage on the security camera she has installed at the Mallaig general store, located on main street in the hamlet.

Although she didn't see the meteor herself, she figured the east-facing camera may have caught something – and it did, including the images at right.

Feland posted the video to her Facebook account, showing the meteor rather clearly. As of Thursday of last week, the video had been shared over 600 times, and viewed over 35,000 times, according to Facebook.

After viewing the video, Herd pointed out that "the variations in brightness of the fireball (the flashes) tell us that the object was a decent size, maybe on the scale of a meter or so."

The flashes of light come from the fact that the object broke up as it came through the atmosphere, he added. Herd also offered a noted about terminology, as it relates to these types objects.

Elk Point Review editor Vicki Brooker "was on my way home from Town Council and was about three miles west of the Highway 41 junction when the whole sky lit up behind me. I thought it must be a meteor."

Review office manager Melanie Mc



Rae didn't see the flash, but said she had just gone to bed when she "heard a big boom" and wondered what it was.

On Tuesday morning, the two had a visit from Barry Roth from Vermilion, who also saw it "coming straight down and with chunks coming off it", he said. He said he planned to call the Air Force at Cold Lake to see if they might know

where it landed.

A meteor is the trail or flash of light in the sky from the entry of a natural object. A fireball is a bright meteor, which is caused by a larger rock.

Meteoroid is the rock as it comes through the atmosphere; and a meteorite is the rock (if any) that actually makes it to the ground.



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